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7th August
Term 3, Week 3

School Calendar

Term 3

Week 3 - National Science Week & Australian Maths Competition
Tuesday 5th - 9-10am Come & Try #2 & Parent Information Session

Week 4 - National Week of Action Against Bullying

Tuesday 12th August - Hockey Regional Comp @ Hamilton
Friday 15th - Year 1 and Year 2 students excursion "Push & Pull"

Week 5 - Book Week & Book Fair
Monday - 8.20-9am Book Fair; 9am Assembly

Tuesday 19th - 8.20-9am Book Fair; 9.15am Book Character Parade
Friday 22nd - Donald Aths

Week 7

Friday 5th Sept - Father's Day Stall
TBC

Week 8

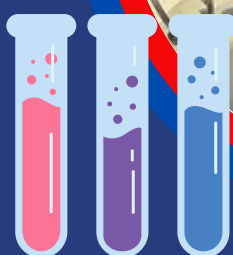
8/9/10th Year3/4 Urban Camp
Friday 12th - R U OK Day & Footy Colours Day @ St Arnaud Secondary College

SAVE THE DATE

St Arnaud Primary School
150th Birthday Celebrations
- Friday 24th October -



EXCURSION



RESPECT RESILIENCE KINDNESS HONESTY ASPIRATION



Come and Try Sessions

Principal's Report

This Tuesday was our second and final Come and Try Session for 2026 Preps. We loved welcoming students and families into our school for a small taste of what we offer at our school. Choosing a school for your family is a big decision based on each family's expectations and needs.

Transition dates for Term 4 will be shared in coming weeks and are an important element in preparing Preschool students for the changes that come with starting at school. We encourage all enrolled 2026 Preps to participate in these days to build familiarity with the physical environment, the routines and expectations of school - as well as getting to know as many new friends and staff as possible.

School Tours are available to interested families and can be booked by phone, in person or via email:

ph 54951028

e st.arnaud.ps@education.vic.gov.au

The school website is also a good place to take a look and find out a little more about our school - www.starnaudps.vic.edu.au

And you can find us on Facebook and Instagram for those who enjoy staying up to date with school events and celebrations.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Mrs Ezard will be taking bookings for next Thursday and Friday afternoons through the COMPASS portal from 8am tomorrow morning; Mrs Walsh will be available in week 9 of this term for any parents who would like to meet with her.

Year 3 and 4 Urban Camp

It is a requirement of the school that the camp is paid for in full approx 4 weeks prior to the departure date. It is also extremely important that if anyone pulls out this is communicated as early as possible due to the impact to the cost of the camp. Every effort is made to keep costs low but this also means there is little to no buffer when numbers change after planning is finalised. If you are having any difficulty making the camp payments we encourage you to speak with Melissa Weir or make a payment plan with Jenny in the General Office.

Greater Western Region Hockey

Next Tuesday our Hockey Team will travel to Hamilton to compete in the Regional level of school hockey competition. We wish our players and coaches all the best for a wonderful day of competition - enjoy this special experience everyone!

Student Health

A reminder that any unwell students should remain at home until they have recovered. Please refer to recent parent emails via COMPASS for more information.

Melissa Mitchell

Principal



ST ARNAUD PRIMARY SCHOOL IS A CHILD SAFE SCHOOL

MRS WEIR'S WELLBEING WONDERINGS

Shining a Spotlight on Wellbeing Leader –

Maria Taylor

My name is Maria Taylor, and I am in Year 5!
I am a Wellbeing Leader at St Arnaud Primary School.
Being a Wellbeing Leader underpins all my values.
When I am not at school I love to hang out with my family, I love playing with my dog, playing netball and going to Martial Arts.

I wanted to become a Wellbeing Leader because I wanted to have the opportunity to help people.
I wanted to hold the power in my hands and be able to make things happen. To be able to help people is so important.

I love that people at our school know that I am a Wellbeing Leader and at recess and lunch time they will come up to me and say hi and have a chat.



Mrs Melissa Weir
Mental Health &
Wellbeing Leader



Maria Taylor
Isobel Green
Zarleya Hutchinson
Wellbeing
Leaders

What I enjoy about being a Wellbeing Leader?

Earlier this year I wanted to raise awareness for Shave For a Cure and decided to shave my hair off.

I raised \$6,500 for this cause.

The Wellbeing Leaders organised a crazy hair day and we all wore t-shirts with my face on them to raise awareness.

This was a surprise and something the other Wellbeing Leaders organised for me!

An amazing opportunity was talking to Authentic Conversations, Jackie and Emma.

It was such a great opportunity to talk about mental health and wellbeing, not just for our school but the whole community.

To be our age and to have this opportunity is such a privilege

Just being able to help people makes me feel like I am making a difference.

Being able to let other people know that I care for them is really an honour. Some people may not have someone who makes them feel safe.

"NO MATTER HOW
RICH, TALENTED
OR GREAT **YOU**
THINK YOU ARE...
HOW YOU
TREAT PEOPLE
ULTIMATELY
TELLS ALL"



I really like this quote because it says that you are amazing, no matter what your life and background is.

You just have to care and be kind.
YOU MATTER!!



WEEK 2 VALUE AWARDS



1/2P
MADISON



2/3T
CALYX CANARIA



2/3T
KOBE SNELL



3/4C
LEEARA WILLIAMS



ART
LOKI TAGGATZ



I.C.T.
BEN THOMSON



5/6W
LOGEN CROSS



KINDNESS
LINKEN KULA



BAKERY BUCKS
RYAN THURSBY



KINDNESS
DOM DAVID

BRONZE AWARD WINNERS



Issy Green



Lil Stewart



Logen Cross

SILVER AWARD WINNER



Erikah McIntyre

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



Barlow Knight



Jimmi Donaldson



Alistair Grahame



Torah Watts

Rusty's Rocket Maths



Alistair Grahame



ST ARNAUD PRIMARY SCHOOL



ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH TEAM FUNDRAISER



Children's Book Week
16–23 August 2025

BOOK AN
Adventure



Wormy Spaghetti

TUESDAY 19THTH AUGUST

. \$2 PER BOWL AT LUNCHTIME



RUSTY'S HOME READING



Premier's Reading Challenge - Home Reading

From now until the end of Book Week students can earn a raffle ticket to go into the draw to win a jar of Book Worms every time they bring their signed reading diary to school. Students should be reading every day!

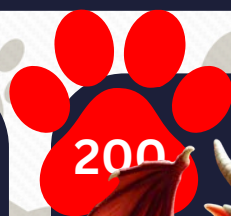


150

Alistair Grahame



175



200



SCHOOL BEANIES

\$20

Available to purchase
from the General Office,
eftpos available!

www.st.arnaud.ps@education.vic.gov.au



ST ARNAUD PRIMARY
HOCKEY
AUGUST
12TH



Hockey

Interchange
Torah Lucas



Wing
Georgie



MID
Chad



MID
Chaise



CHB
Issy



Fullback
Kayne



Fullback
Eloise



ST ARNAUD PRIMARY SCHOOL IS A CHILD SAFE SCHOOL



MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for Movie Night, a fun, red carpet-themed school production set at a Hollywood-style awards show. It celebrates famous movies and gives students a chance to shine on stage.



AUGUST 29TH

FRIDAY | 6PM

(DOORS OPEN AT 5:30)

ST ARNAUD TOWN HALL

TICKETS \$10/\$5

Tickets can be purchased at College General Office. Limited tickets available at the door.

WASTE WARRIORS

On Thursday 31st July 2/3T and 3/4C travelled to Ecolinc to explore ways our world recycles different items.



In the second session we explored a recycling centre and had a try ourselves, sorting different objects by their properties and without using our hands!



ECOLING EXCURSION



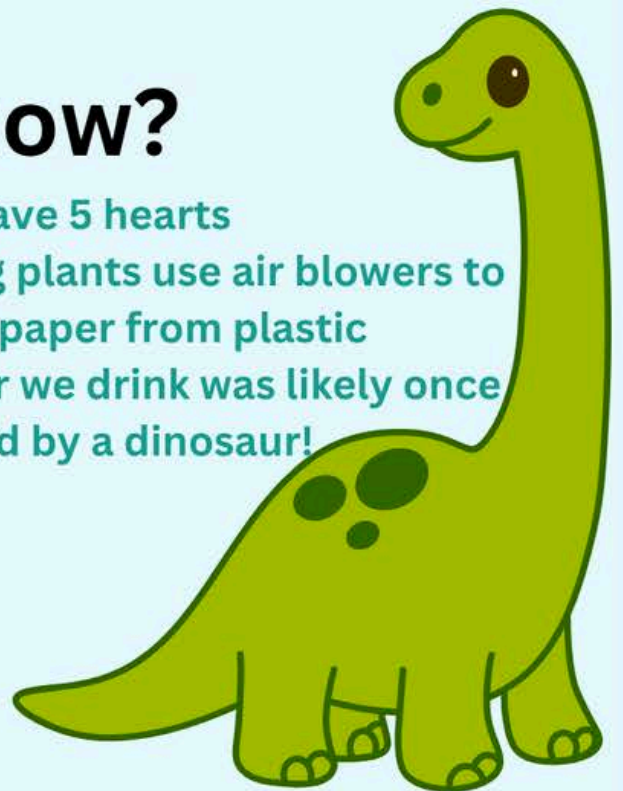
In the third session we explored a worm farm, examined a worm under the microscope and conducted an experiment to determine what foods worms like to eat and are useful for worm farms!



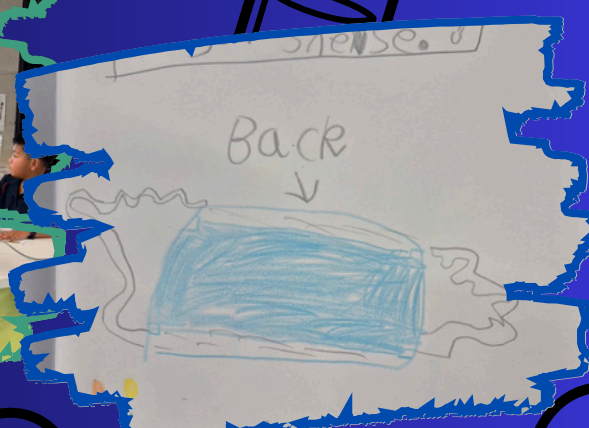
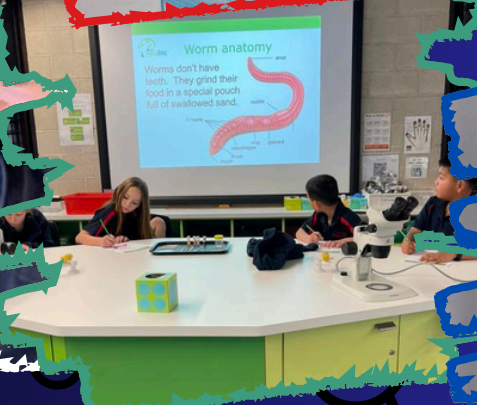
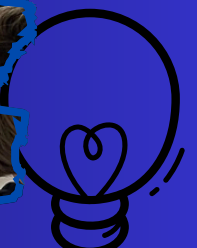
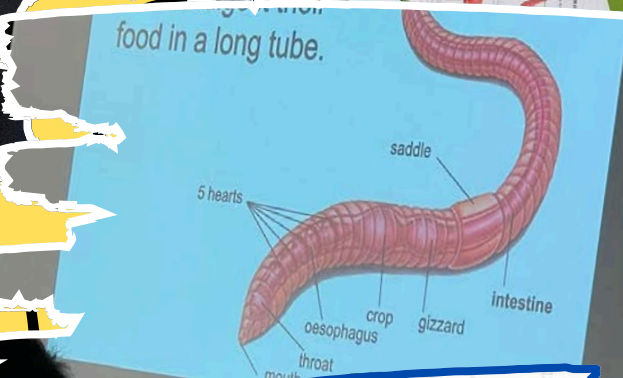
Did you know?



- Worms have 5 hearts
- Recycling plants use air blowers to separate paper from plastic
- The water we drink was likely once consumed by a dinosaur!



SCIENCE WEEK





Tree Fundraiser

For the month of August, \$5 from every deciduous tree sold will be donated back to your nominated school or learning centre.

- St Arnaud Secondary college
- St Arnaud Primary school
- St Patricks Primary school St Arnaud
- St Arnaud Early Learning Centre

Deciduous ornamental trees



- chinese elms
- golden ash
- crepe myrtles
- ornamental pears

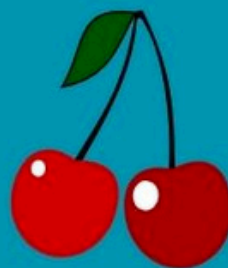
Deciduous fruit trees

- apples
- peaches
- plums
- nectarines
- pears
- cherries
- and more

-gleditsia

-oaks

-white cedar
and more





Our Year 5 and Year 6
Leadership Students would
like to invite you to the:

BOOK FAIR

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Grand Event!



TUESDAY 19TH AUGUST

9.15AM BOOK CHARACTER
PARADE

WORMY SPAGHETTI
LUNCH \$2

Monday 18th
August - Friday
22nd August

In the Arts Centre
Each Morning from 8.20am - 9.00am
Each afternoon from 3pm - 3.30pm